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In re application of: Kelly-Rowley et al.

Serial No.: 10/000,043

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Title: Branched Alcohols and Diols for increased  
Dot Size and Reliability

Examiner: Faison, V.

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## DECLARATION OF COMMON OWNERSHIP (37 CFR. § 1.132)

Dear Sir:

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This statement is made as to the facts that are relied upon to establish the common ownership of two co-pending applications to avoid rejection of the claims under 35 USC 103(a).

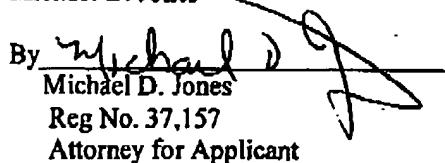
20 I, Michael D. Jones, am a counsel in the HP Legal Department and have responsibility for filing and prosecution patent applications at HP since October, 1997.

The copending application cited by the Examiner is 10/001,637. This application was filed by HP on Oct 31, 2001 and has an assignment from the inventors to HP which 25 was filed in the USPTO on April 1, 2002 and is located at reel No. 012805/0543 the inventors are HP employees at the time of the invention.

30 The present application was filed on October 29, 2001, a few days before application 10/001,637, had been filed. The inventors are HP employees and were so at the time of invention of the subject matter herein.

All relevant facts necessary to support the conclusion that the two copending 35 applications were commonly owned at the time the invention in this application have been made.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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